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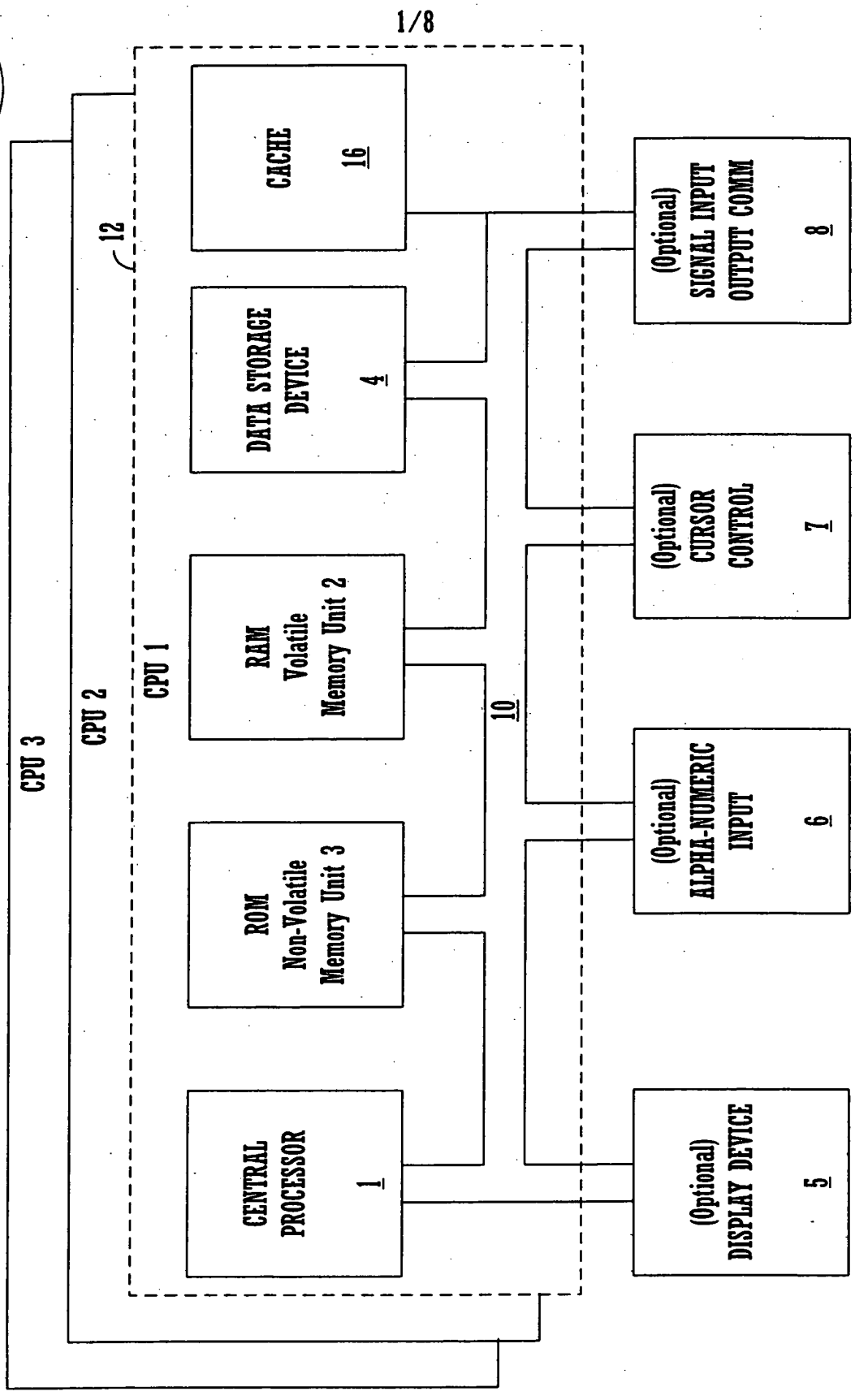

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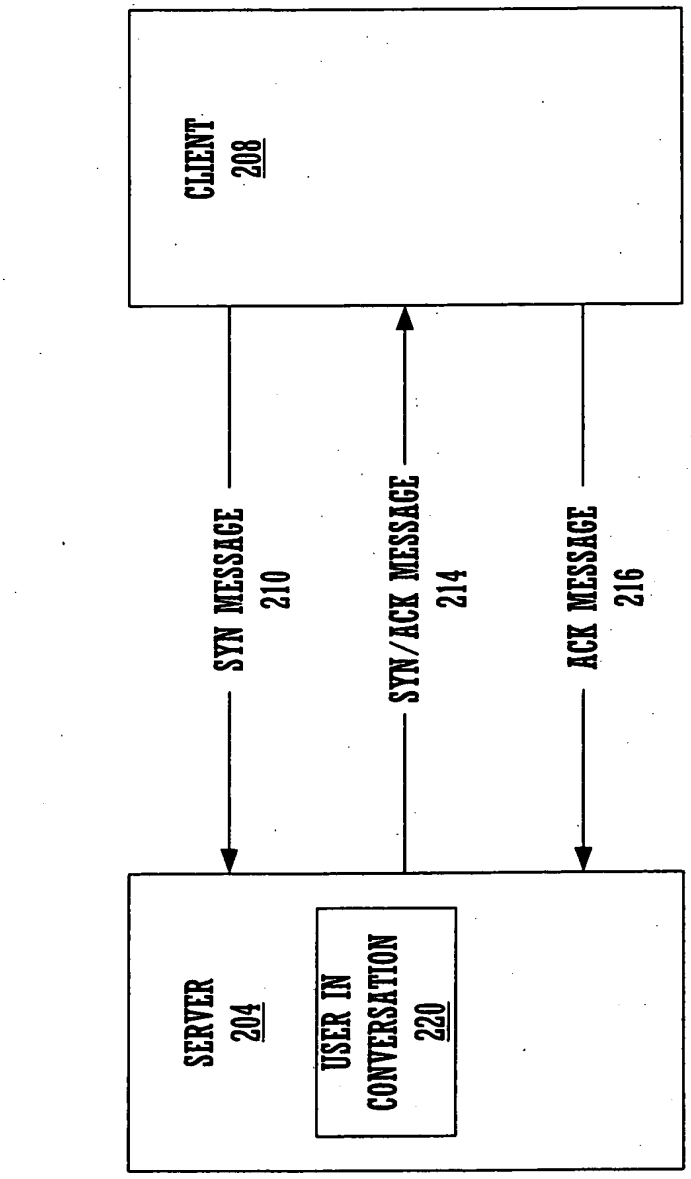
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SYN MESSAGE
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USER IN
CONVERSATION
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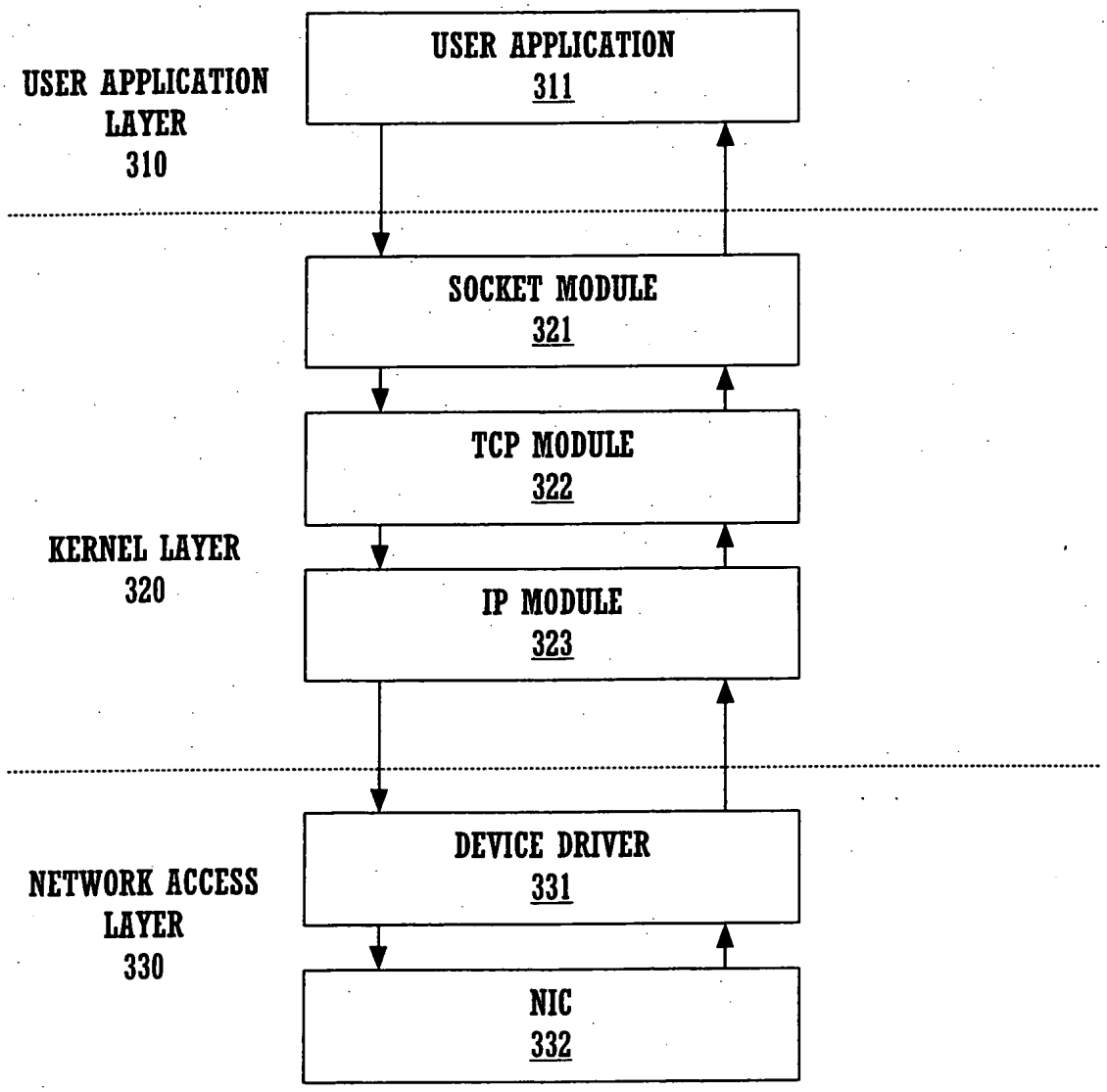
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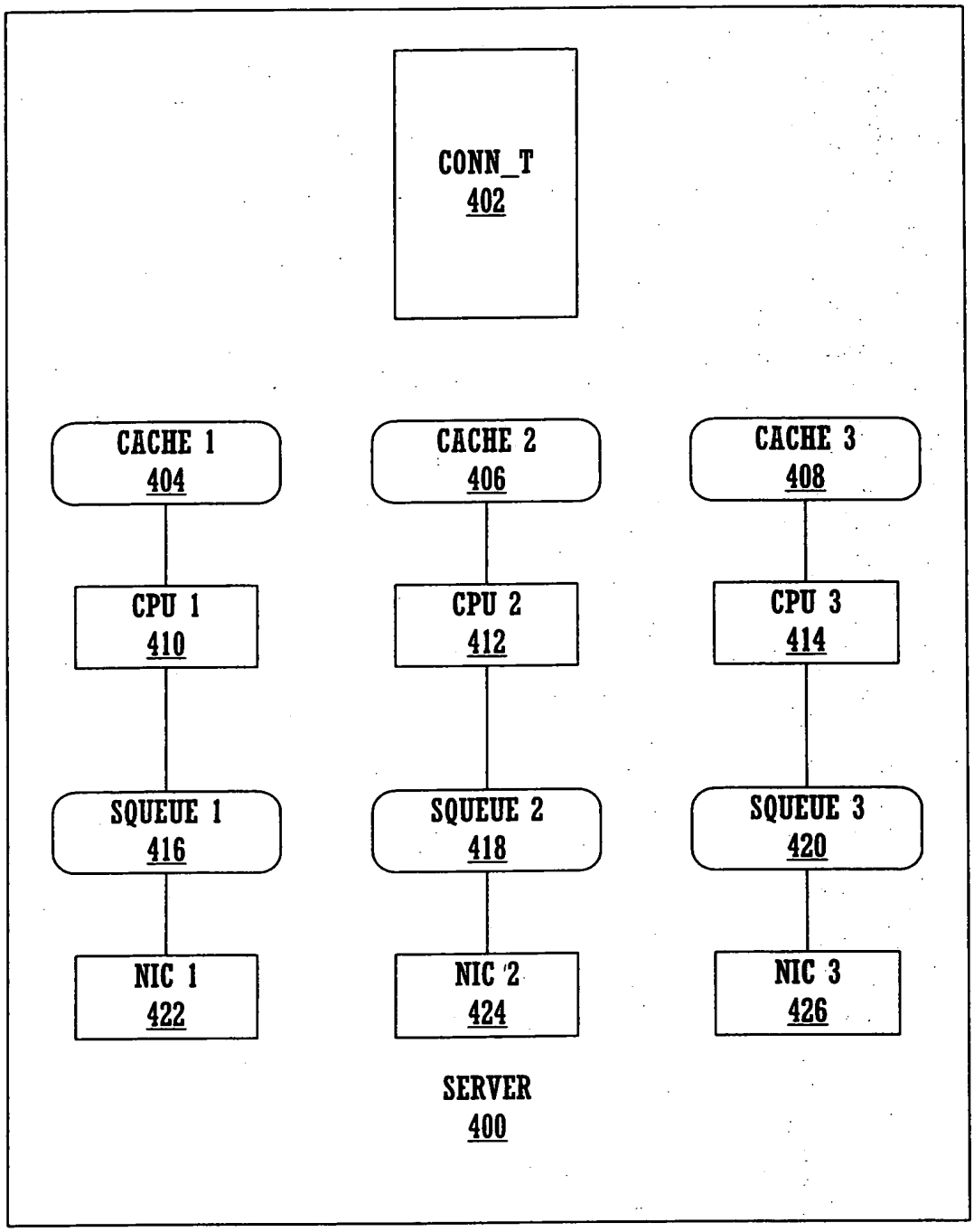
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CPU 3
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NIC 1
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NIC 2
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NIC 3
426
SERVER
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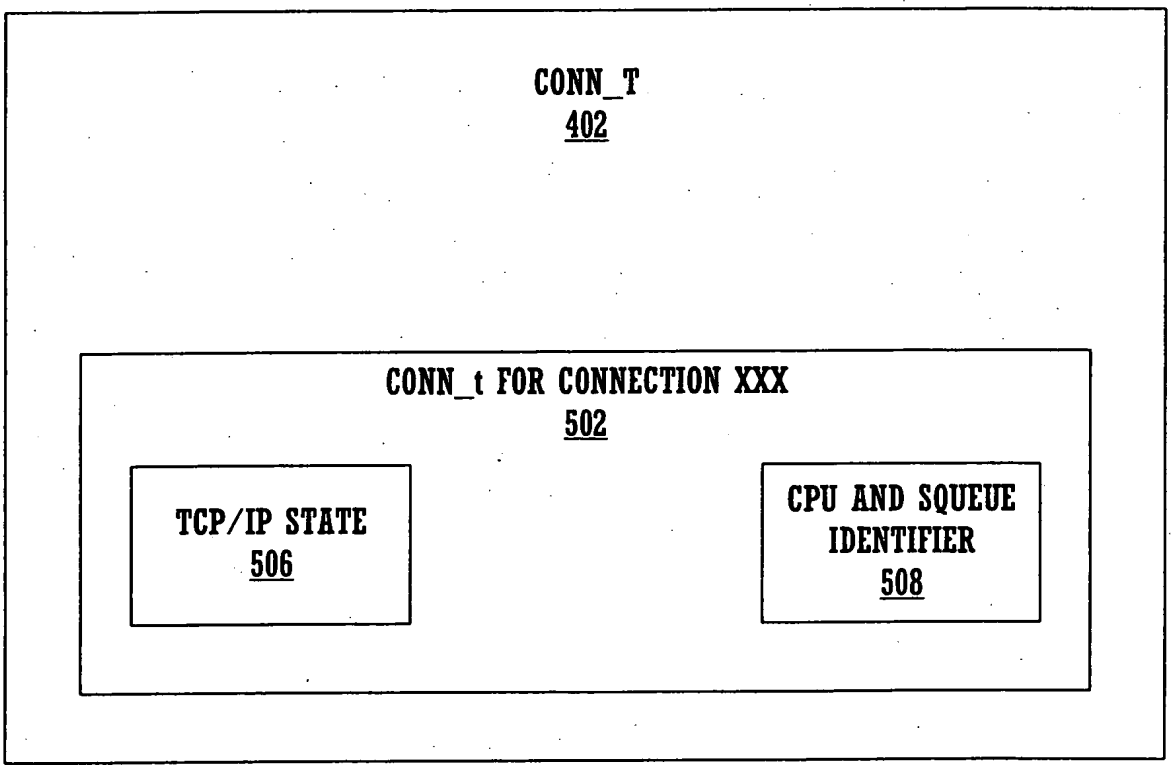
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CPU AND SQUEUE IDENTIFIER
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FIGURE 5

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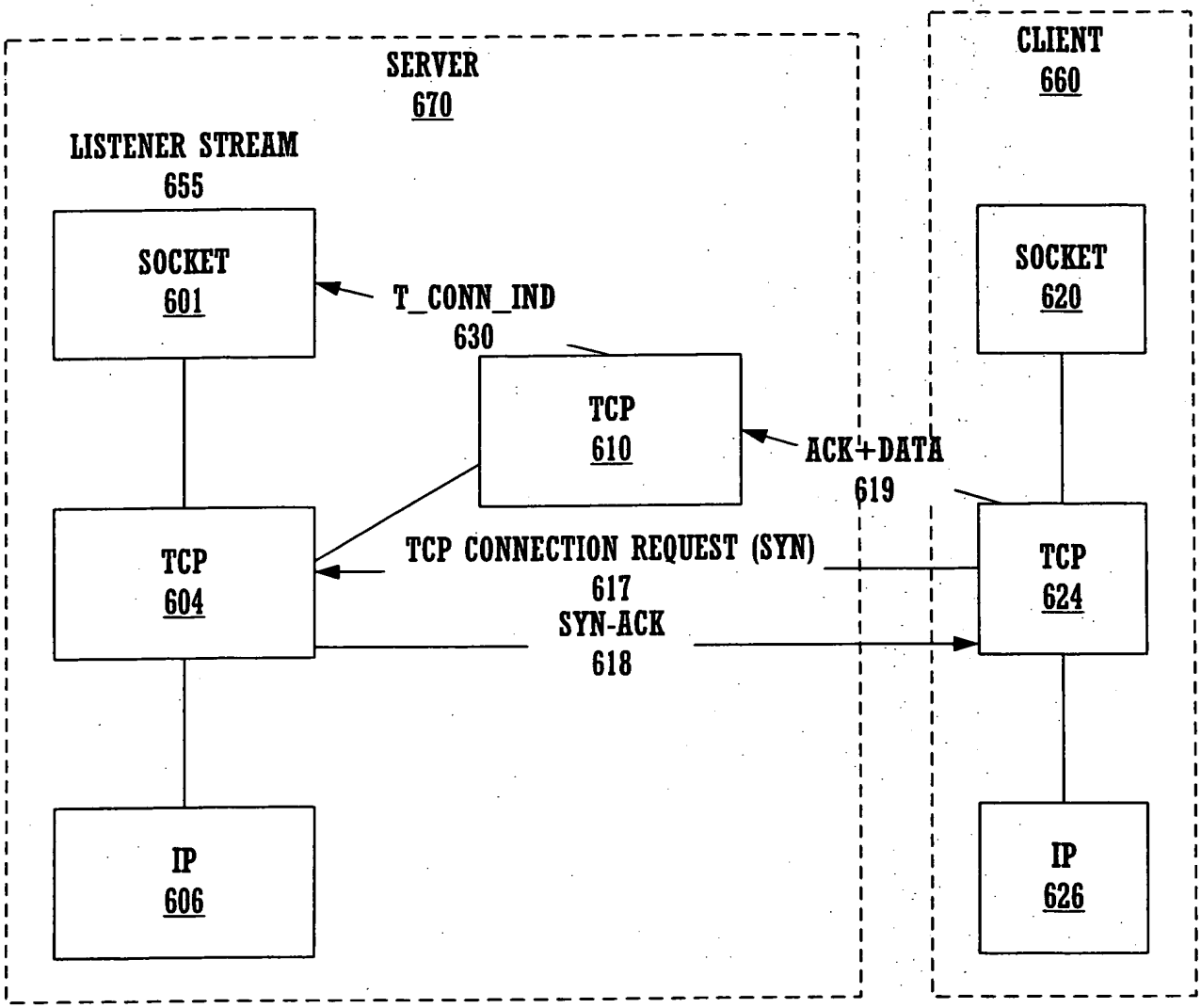

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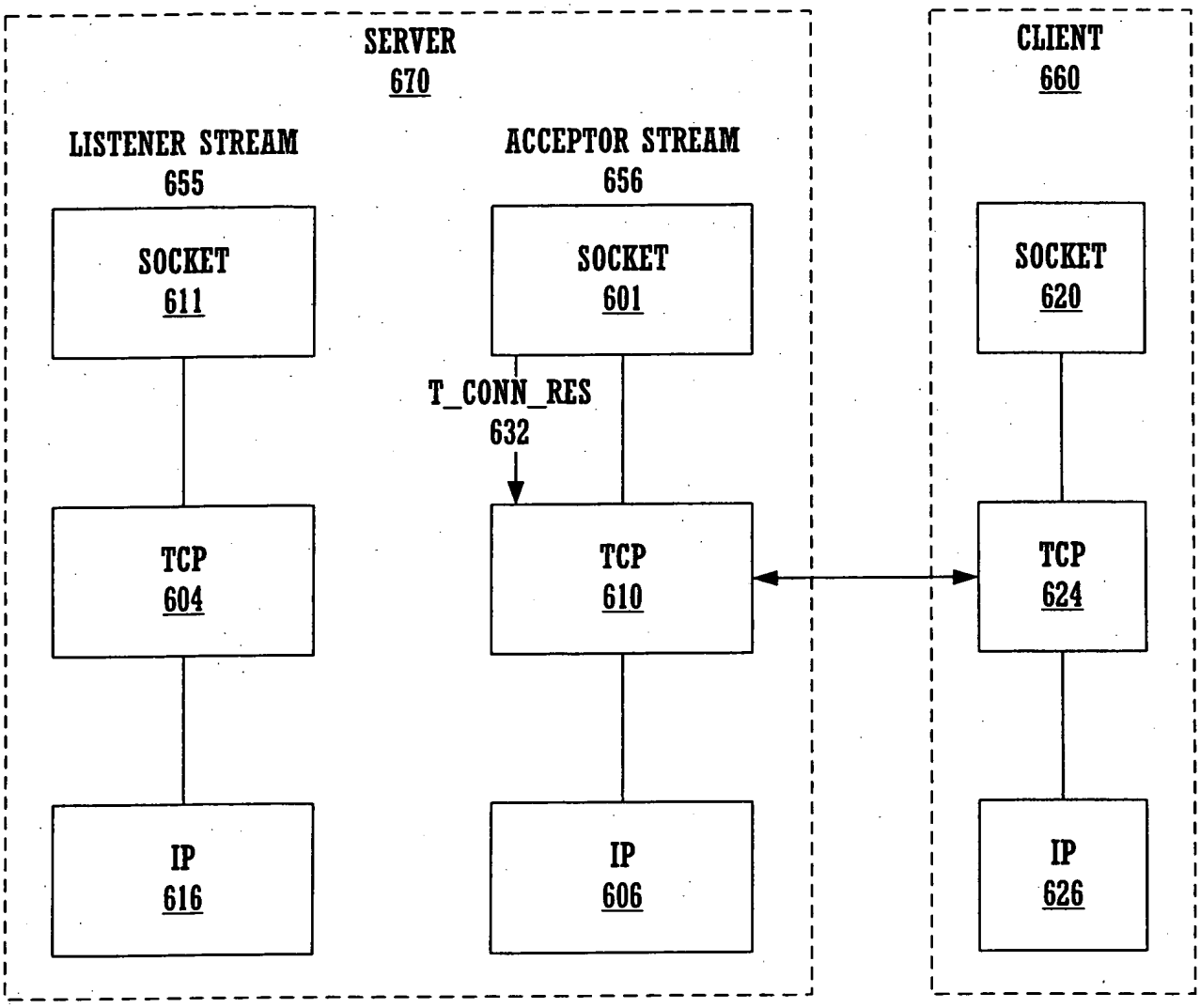

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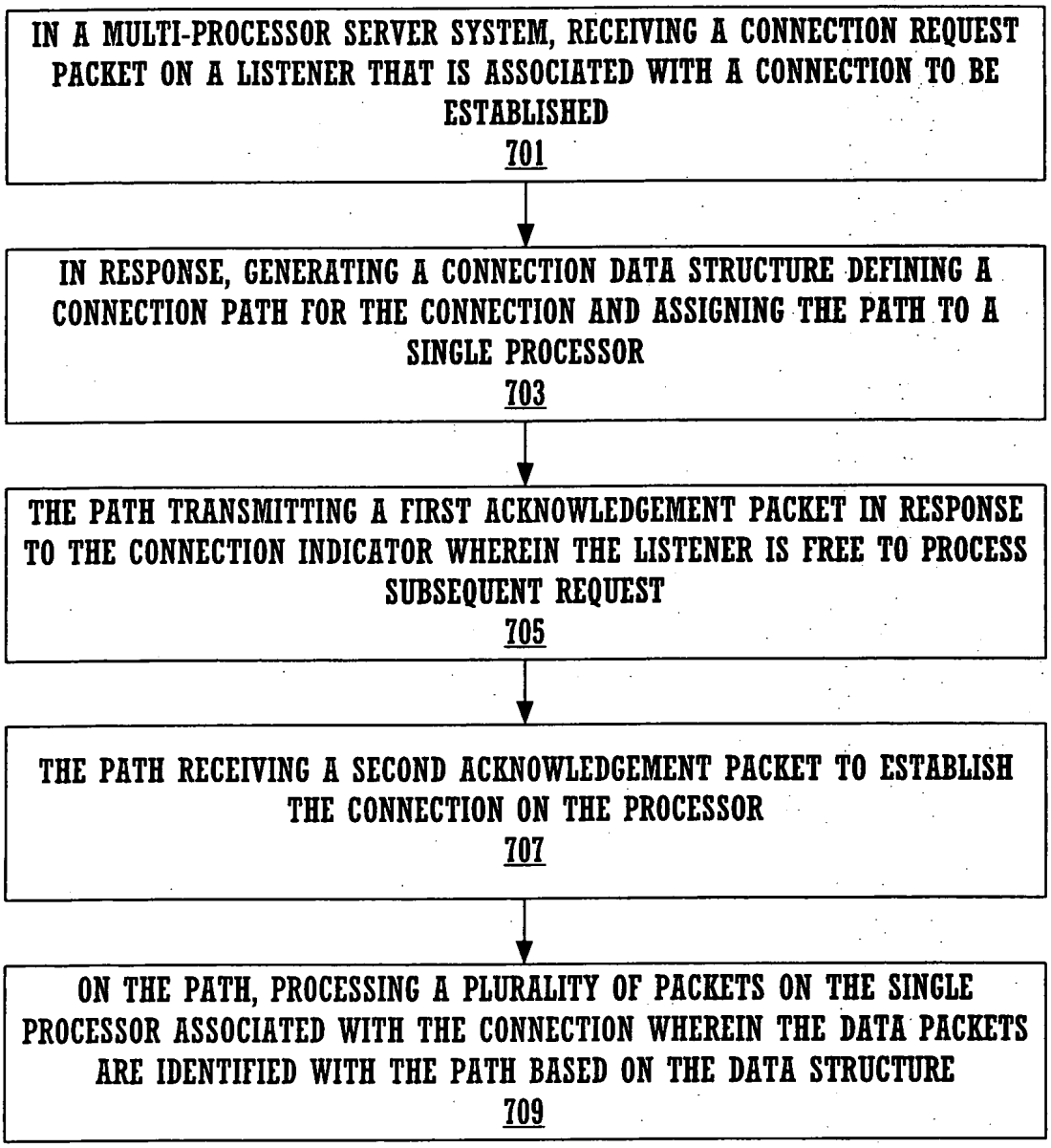
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